

Arlington Historical Commission
Minutes for the Meeting of
Tuesday, 6 May 2014
Whittemore-Robbins House, 7:45 p.m.

1. Call to Order: Chairman, presiding, JoAnn Robinson and Commissioners Pamela Meister and Dianne Schaefer.
2. Review of minutes:
3. Communications Received:
4. Reports of other Town Boards and Historical Organizations:
 - a. Arlington Preservation Fund (Guthrie)- No report
 - b. Arlington Historical Society (Meister)- Upcoming events: May 26- Memorial Day; 11am ceremony at Prince Hall commemorating the 150th Anniversary; May 27- final lecture , reprise of 100th Celebration of the Town Hall.
 - c. Old Schwamb Mill- New signage for Mill; maroon with white lettering
 - d. Arlington Historic Districts Commission- No report
 - e. Tourism and Economic Development (Robinson)-Visitor Center- Proposal to put on Uncle Sam corner. Temporary structure- deciding on new location with Michael Rademacher.
5. Historical Commission FY 2013 Budget – Nothing to report.
6. Projects Proceeding under Hearings and Approvals:
 - a. 821 Massachusetts Avenue (Noyes RT) 10/03; modified 4/08 Duffy- No report.
 - b. Symmes Hospital (Town of Arlington) 6/04 Duffy – No report.
 - c. 6 Park Street (White) 12/09 Meister: completed; remove from list.
 - d. Whittemore Robbins House Cottage 6/13 Robinson - Patti Brennan working on plans for windows-reviewed bid package and determination needs to be made for repairing or replacing.
 - e. 30 Franklin Street (Lever) 5/13 Guthrie- No report.
 - f. 41 Kensington Road 9/13 Guthrie- Garage Demo. Nothing to report.
 - g. 246 Park Avenue 12/13 Guthrie- Nothing to report.
 - h. 129 Lake Street 12/13 Robinson One year Demo Delay as of 10/31
 - i. 64 Park Street 5/14 Robinson- added at this May meeting.
 - j. 129 Lake Street 5/14 Schaefer- added at this May meeting. See hearing below regarding preservation of the house.

7. Continuing Projects

- a. Whittemore Robbins House (and outbuildings): Robinson – Nothing to report.
- b. Arlington Civic Block Garden: Robinson – uplights eliminated.
- c. Education/Outreach: Duffy/Robinson – Nothing to report.
- d. Historic House Markers: Nothing to report.
- e. Town Hall: Duffy – Paint is peeling from the flagpole. There is concern about water damage.
- f. Web Site: Stange – Nothing to report.

8. Discussion and Hearing:

8:00pm- Formal hearing for 129 Lake Street- Scott Seaver, owner

Bill Copithorn and Jonathan Nyberg- Presenters

Also present: Bob Mcelligott, Dave Donoghue and Kathy Donoghue: abutters.

1. The house at 129 Lake Street stands on two lots.
2. Scott Seaver purchased the house and property in February.
3. Jonathan Nyberg plans to preserve the house.
4. Move existing house left to right and use the 2nd lot for new house.
5. They are working with Mike Burns at the Building Department
6. Exterior is in great shape
7. New foundation-cement has been poured.
8. As plans evolve for restoration, Mr. Nyberg will be in touch with the commission.

Monitor is Dianne Schaefer

Closed at 8:20pm

8:30pm Formal Hearing for 64 Park Street

Bill and David Rothfuchs: Presenters

1. Have purchase and sale agreement
2. Closing on October 30 or sooner
3. Have pulled a demolition permit
4. Letter sent to Zoning Board of Appeals regarding their plan

Plans:

- A. Remove the rear existing painted pressure treated wood deck
- B. Remove the rear existing enclosed porch

- C. Remove existing vinyl siding
- D. Repair or replace existing clapboard under vinyl siding
- E. Remove and replace all existing aluminum window trim and fascia boards with pre-primed pine
- F. Remove existing vinyl windows and shutters
- G. Install new wood JELD-WEN 2 over 2 with 7/8" bead, double hung, SDL windows with flat wood casing
- H. Add a dormer on the right side roof to enlarge stairway to existing finished attic
- I. Install new 1x8 pre-primed pine water table
- J. Install new 1x10 pre-primed pine water table
- K. Remove and replace existing front screened porch. Add wood columns, hand rails and 2"x2" painted balusters
- L. Remove and replace existing asphalt shingle roof with "Pewter Wood" Architectural shingles
- M. Repoint or rebuild chimney and foundation as needed
- N. Remove and rebuild existing front walkway and steps

Abutters present: Ruth and Debra Carr

- 1. Concerned about driveways and parking problems- these concerns can be brought before the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Abutters present: Bing Bing and Chun Chen

- 1. Have questions regarding the plans for the dormer- size.
- 2. The Rothfuchs plan to contact the residents of 70 Park Street regarding plans for the dormer.

A motion was made to approve the plans as presented. All voted in favor of the plans.

Monitor: JoAnn Robinson

9. Old Business-

10. New Business-

a. The Arlington Historical Commission meeting adjourned at 9:00pm
The next Arlington Historical Commission meeting will be June 10, 2014.
For the Arlington Historical Commission, Victoria Rose, Recording Secretary.